IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

TUESDAY, THE 11TH DECEMBER 2007 / 20TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

WP(C).No. 36451 of 2007(M)

PETITIONER:

BIJU M.A., S/O.ANTHONY, AGED 31 YEARS,
MUNDANMANY HOUSE, KANJIRAPILLY P.O.,
CHALAKUDY VIA, THRISSUR DIST.

BY ADV. SRI.M.H.HANIL KUMAR

RESPONDENTS:

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1. HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION LTD.,
REPRESENTED BY ITS SENIOR REGIONAL MANAGER,
RETAIL DIVISIONAL OFFICE, HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM
CORPORATION LTD., N.H.17, CANNORE ROAD, NEAR
ELATHUR RAILWAY STATION, ELATHUR P.O., CALICUT-
DIST. PIN 67303.

2. SENIOR REGIONAL MANAGER,
RETAIL DIVISIONAL OFFICE,
HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION LTD.,
N.H.17, CANNORE ROAD, NEAR ELATHUR RAILWAY
STATION, ELATHUR P.O., CALICUT - DIST.
PIN - 67303.

3. SHRI.VARGHESE, AGED ABOUT 45,
S/O.ANTHONY, MUNDANMANY HOUSE,
PARIYARAM, P.O.PARIYARAM, CHALAKUDY VIA,
THRISSUR DIST.

BY ADV.SRI.E.K.NANDAKUMAR, SC

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 11/12/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

S.SIRI JAGAN, J.

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Dated this the 11th day of December, 2007

JUDGMENT

The petitioner is an applicant for a dealership license to conduct a retail petrol pump. Pursuant to applications invited by the first respondent, petitioner appeared for interview for selection and he scored 60.52 marks, but the selected candidate scored 61.52 marks. The petitioner has serious objections regarding the award of the marks in the interview. According to him in respect of certain criteria he should have been given much higher marks than the selected candidate. As per the rules applicable, the petitioner has a right to file objection before the General Manager of the concerned zone against the proceedings. Petitioner has filed Ext.P8 objections before the 2nd respondent. The petitioner seeks expeditious disposal of Ext.P8. The learned standing counsel appearing for the respondents 1 and 2 submits that the appropriate authority to consider Ext.P8 is the General Manager of the concerned zone and the Ext.P8 has been forwarded to that authority for appropriate consideration.

2. In the facts and circumstances, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the appropriate authority under the rules to consider and pass appropriate orders on Ext.P8 in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of being heard to the petitioner as well as the 3rd respondent as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment.

S.SIRI JAGAN,
JUDGE

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